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Docket No.: 55190-012

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : **RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**
Josee HAMEL, et al. : **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**
Serial No.: 09/471,255 : Customer Number: 20277
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: Examiner: V. Portner
For: NOVEL STREPTOCOCCUS ANTIGENS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2004. Accordingly, this response is due, together with the fee for one month extension of time, on or before June 20, 2004.

Please amend the subject application as follows.